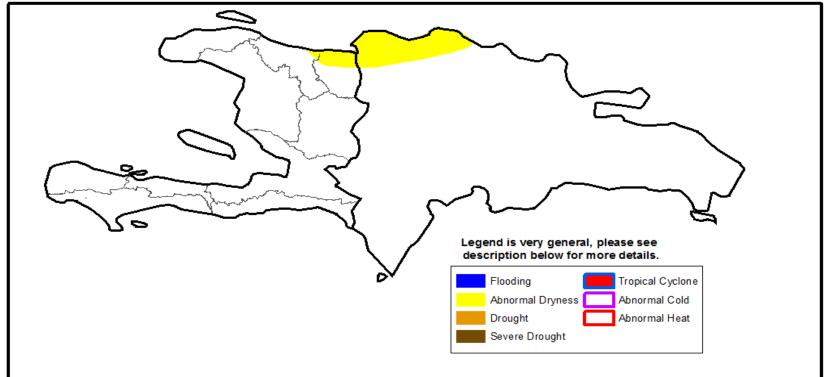


## Climate Prediction Center's Hispaniola Hazards Outlook January 9, 2014 – January 15, 2014

Light to moderate rain showers were observed across northern Dominican Republic.



During the last seven days, seasonably light rain was observed across much of Hispaniola. The heaviest rains (10-15mm) were recorded across the northern coastline of the Dominican Republic and west of Port-Au-Prince in Haiti. While much of the island received little to no rainfall (<10mm), weekly rainfall anomalies remained neutral as rains are climatologically expected to be light during the beginning of the year. However, over the past thirty-days, precipitation has still been suppressed across much of Hispaniola. The below-average rains during the end of 2013 followed a period of below-average rain during the summer and fall seasons. This has led to poor ground conditions in the Monte Cristi, Puerto Plata and Barahona departments of northwestern/southwestern Dominican Republic, as well as, in the Nord-Est department of Haiti. The poor rains have resulted in the loss of bean crops in the Nord-Est department of Haiti. For the upcoming outlook period, little to no rain is forecast for much of Haiti, while light to moderate showers (10-20mm) are expected across northeastern Dominican Republic. The seasonably light rains will likely not improve dry ground conditions across Hispaniola.